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Re: Patent Application for
Larry V. Kaster, Jr.

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Examiner: David H. Kruse

For: Plants and their Preparation

Action: Request for extension
37 CFR §1.136 (a)

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To: The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, DC 20231

Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment under 37 CFR §1.136 (a)

Sir:

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee is as follows:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | One month (37 CFR §1.17(a)(1)) | \$110.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Two month (37 CFR §1.17(a)(2)) | \$400.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Three month (37 CFR §1.17(a)(3)) | \$920.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Four month (37 CFR §1.17(a)(3)) | \$1,440.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five month (37 CFR §1.17(a)(5)) | \$1,960.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 07-0190. | |

I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the attorney or agent of record requesting an extension of time to reply to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002. A one-month extension of time is requested from November 28, 2002 to December 28, 2002. Please deduct the one month extension fees of \$110.00 from Account Number 07-0190. If additional fees are

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needed, or if this is inaccurately calculated, or if the fees have increased or decreases please also deduct any necessary additional fees from the same account. This is submitted in duplicate.

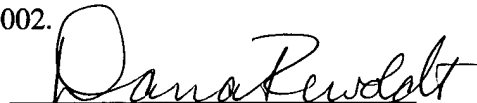
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Extension of Time and Amendment is being mailed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, DC 20231, on this 26th day of December, 2002.



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